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SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" May I know whether the Government have brought additional forests under reservation recently or within the last three or four years? "

AN HON. MEMBER :—" That is again another leading question." (Laughter.)

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" Yes, Sir."

SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" May I know whether the figure 27,000 odd acres given by the Hon. Minister shows a net loss of the reserved forests? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" No, Sir."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know whether the Government are of the opinion, as stated just now by Sri Kala Venkata Rao, that tamarind trees are shrubs? " (Laughter.)

Training for adult citizens in all the polytechnics.

* 78 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : With reference to the answers to the main question No. 36 and to the supplementary question, dated 7th September 1951, will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether the question of providing training for adult civilians in all the polytechnics in the State, especially in the Rayalaseema Polytechnic, Bellary, has been considered?

THE HON. SRI C. PERUMALSAMI REDDI :—" The question of providing training for adult civilians was considered not in all but only in such of the polytechnics where facilities existed for such training. A technical training centre for adult civilians was first started in the Rayalaseema Polytechnic, Bellary, but it had to be closed down subsequently in order to provide for an adult training centre for women at Madras. No separate technical training at Bellary was considered necessary in view of the existence of another centre at Anantapur in the neighbouring district."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Do the Government have any proposal to start more such centres in every area where the need for them exists? "

THE HON. SRI C. PERUMALSAMI REDDI :—" In last September I have answered that there were nearly five such adult training centres."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" Do the Government consider that five centres are adequate for a big State like Madras? "

THE HON. SRI C. PERUMALSAMI REDDI :—" If the finances permit, we will consider the opening of more centres."